Mr. Potter submitted the following message:

By the House of Delegates, December 31st, 1844.

Gentlemen of the Senate.

We propose with your concurrence, to appoint a joint committee of the two Houses, to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the Legislature is organized for the despatch of public business, and ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make. Messrs. Potter and Biser are appointed on the part of this House.

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Which was read, assented to, and sent to the senate.

The Speaker laid before the House reports from the clerks of Harford, Frederick and Cecil counties, relative to the attendance of judges;

Which were read and referred to the committee on Grievances

and Courts of Justice, to be hereafter appointed.

Also, reports from the clerks of Harford and Frederick counties, relative to monies paid by them into the State Treasury, within the year ending on the 30th November;

Which were read and referred to the committee on Ways and

Means, to be hereafter appointed.

Mr. Gallagher presented the petition of Mary Norris, of the city of Baltimore, praying to be placed on the pension roll;

Which was read and referred to the committee on Pensions

and Revolutionary Claims, to be hereafter appointed

On motion of Mr. McKnett.

Ordered, That the Rules of the last House of Delegates, be adopted for the regulation and government of the present House of Delegates, and that a sufficient number of copies be printed for the use of the members.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That Messrs. Harrison and Stewart, be a committee to wait upon the Rev. Mr. Steele, and request his attendance in this House each day, during the present session, at such hour as the House may adopt for meeting, for the purpose of performing divine worship.

Mr. Calvert presented the memorial of Mrs. Julianna Stephens, of Prince George's county, asking that the quarters salary due

her late husband may be paid over to her; Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Calvert then submitted the following resolution:
Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the Treasurer of the Western Shore, pay over to Mrs. Julianna Stephens, widow of the late Judge Stephens, who departed this life on the 26th June last, the quarter's salary which would have been due the deceased, on the 1st day of July, 1844;